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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This reply is to the Restriction Requirement mailed on February 6, 2009 in connection with the above-identified application. The time set for filing a response to the restriction requirement expires on March 6, 2009.

Applicant provisionally elects, with traverse, the subject matter in Group I - Claims 1-12, drawn to a method of determining activity and aging behavior of a catalyst.

Applicant specifically reserves the right to pursue the claims not elected in one or more divisional applications.